



Saint Thomas the Apostle CATHOLIC PARISH

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Our Parish Family includes Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish,
Saint Thomas the Apostle School, and Saint Anthony of Padua Mission Church.

www.oroillecatholic.org



Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Mission

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we the church answer the call of Christ to be a visible sign of His presence by participating in: Scripture and Sacraments, Worship and Prayer, Spiritual and Academic Education, Evangelization and Witnessing, Service and Charity, Fellowship and Community. Through our words and actions with our universal community of believers, we strive to share the love of God with the greater Oroville community and throughout the world.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

5:30 PM
7:00 PM (Spanish)
at St. Thomas in Oroville

Sunday

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM at
Saint Thomas in Oroville,
12:30 PM Saint Anthony's
in Challenge

Daily Mass

Monday: 8:30 AM
Tuesday: 6:00 PM
Wed-Fri: 8:30 AM

Fr. German Ramos

Pastor
frramosoro@gmail.com

Thomas O'Connell

Deacon

Mrs. Martha Orozco

Parish Secretary

Parish Bookkeeper-call office

Mrs. Kelly Floyd

School Principal

Mrs. Tamara Landers

School Bookkeeper

Mrs. Martha Mireles

School Secretary

Parish Office

1330 Bird Street
Oroville, CA 95965
Phone: 530-533-0262
Mon - Thurs | 9 AM - 12 PM
Fridays | 9AM - 2PM

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PARISH INFORMATION /
INFORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL

Baptisms (Bautizos) Please contact the parish office

Sick Calls or Sacrament of Anointing (Unción de los Enfermos)

Please contact the parish office as soon as possible

Weddings (Matrimonios)

Minimum of six (6) months require for preparation. Please contact the parish office.

Funerals Please contact the parish office, for assistance in arranging a funeral service. We can also arrange a reception after the funeral if desired.

Sick Calls

Father Ramos would like to reach out to those parishioners who are homebound, or otherwise unable to attend Mass. If you, or someone you know, needs to receive a visit, or Sacraments you can find a Sick Call/ Home Visit Request form in the Church Vestibule, the Parish Office or an on-line fillable electronic form, in English and Spanish, on the STAP website (<https://orvillecatholic.org>)."

Mass Intentions: If you wish to have your intentions offered up at Mass, you may do so by contacting the Parish Office at 530-533-0262.

Prayer Requests

To add/remove a name, please email: SaintThomasBulletin.Oroville@gmail.com
Thank you for your continued prayers for those in need.

Please Remember in Your Prayers

-Alan Armstrong	-John Ritter
-The Monsen Family	-Margaret Carnahan
-Joan Briggs	-Patricia Laird
-Jimmy Potestio	-Julie Silveira
-Patty Webber-Smith	-Daniel Briggs
-Jane Frericks	-Jeffery Spoor
-Ray Firpo	-Kana McCauley
-Jose Lopez	-Pamela Pritchett
-Pat McCarthy	-Frank Clanton
-Kayhli & Kelsie	-Thomas Edward Winter
-Ann & Russ Lewis	-Jodi Williams
-Jose Ignacio Ramirez-	-John Miller
Gutierrez	-Claudia Goebel
Williams	-Mason Ray
	-Tina Molinaro
	-Glen Gabourel

CLRS Rummage Sale

Looking ahead to the first weekend of August, the Catholic Ladies Relief Society summer RUMMAGE SALE is

Saturday, August 1 from 8a to 2p and
Sunday, August 2 from 8a to 12p

Find your treasures in the
Community Center!

Donations (as the spring cleaning continues) will be accepted on July 31 from 9 to 2. Questions??

Irene 532-712-1417

THE NEED IS GREAT!

Please consider volunteering as a Reader or Eucharistic Minister. Training will be provided. Several of our current ministers have had to step back from ministry for health reasons or because they are moving away. Couples can be scheduled for the same mass, one as a reader, one as a Eucharistic Minister. Talk to Father, Mary Haloski, or Martha in the Parish office to learn more. If you served in ministry a while back, but quit, maybe it's time you returned.



The mission of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School, in union with our parish, is to form disciples of Jesus Christ who show reverence for the Eucharist, embody virtuous behavior, live out Gospel values, and pursue academic excellence.

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR
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Sunday, July 26

10:30 AM

12:30 PM @St. Anthony's in Challenge

Monday, July 27

8:30 AM

Tuesday, July 28

4:00-5:30 PM Confession & Adoration

6:00 PM Bilingual Mass

Wednesday, July 29

8:30 AM

Thursday, July 30

8:30 AM

Friday, July 31

8:30 AM

Followed by Adoration

Saturday, August 1

5:30 PM English

7:00 PM Spanish

Sunday, August 2

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

12:30 PM @St. Anthony's in Challenge

Rosary: St. Thomas after the 8:30 AM Mass during weekdays, and after the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Sunday Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00 PM Tuesdays

4:00 PM Saturdays

Or by Appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Tuesday: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Every Friday: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

3rd Saturday of Every Month, 8 PM



**Pregnant?
Worried?
Need Help?**

*You are not alone.
We can help.*

The Gabriel Project
Call: 800-910-0191

FYI

Father Ramos will be on vacation from July 17 to August 11.

During his absence, Father Steve Borland will be here for daily and weekend masses in July.

In August, Father McNamee, a Jesuit from Ireland, will be here for weekend masses and confessions only. Deacon Tom will preside at services of Liturgy of the Word with Communion during the week. Tuesday evening confessions and 6:00 mass will be cancelled on August 4 and 11.

Ministry Days 2026

You're invited to Ministry Days 2026, the largest gathering of Catholic ministry leaders and volunteers in the Diocese of Sacramento on Saturday, September 26, 2026. This year, the day focuses on mental health and challenges us all to encounter the Sacred Heart of Jesus as the ultimate source of mercy and healing. Enjoy a great day of networking, prayer and fellowship as we discuss new ways to serve families as they navigate the complexities of mental health. Tickets are on sale now at ministrydays.com.

Service for Seniors

If you are a senior, and think you could use some assistance around the house, need a ride to an appointment, ETC, please contact David Christian at (408) 921-9005 or Patty Webber-Smith at (530) 370-0982. And we will do our best to take care of you. We look forward to talking!

Services for Seniors is also looking for volunteers to either make a home visit or a phone visit to brighten up both of your days!

The Pastor's Voice

Is the Catholic Church Truly Holy?

The Church's Resilience Through History

The Church's ability to endure for two millennia underscores its holiness and divine protection. Despite facing invasions, schisms, and revolutions, it has remained a global force for faith and morality. The promise of Christ to remain with the Church "always, to the end of the age" sustains this resilience (*Matthew 28:20*). *The CCC notes that the Church's survival through trials is a sign of its divine foundation (CCC 770). Critics often highlight periods of decline, such as the Renaissance-era corruption, to question its holiness. Yet, the Church's capacity to reform itself, through figures like Ignatius of Loyola or events like Vatican II, reflects its vitality. Its adaptability to cultural shifts while preserving core truths demonstrates a guided purpose. The Church's history is not without flaws, but its endurance points to a supernatural reality. This resilience counters skepticism about its divine mission. The Church's story is one of holiness triumphing over human weakness.*

<https://www.thecatholicanswers.com/?p=1879> / Is the Catholic Church truly holy

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Readings for the week of July 26, 2026

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Observances for the week of July 26, 2026

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:
Tuesday:
Wednesday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Thursday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Friday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Saturday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Nothing seems tiresome or painful when you are working for a Master who pays well; who rewards even a cup of cold water given for love of Him." -Saint Dominic Savio (c. 1842 – 1857)